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The *Bellair* Independent advocates the claims of Quincy for the location of the Children's Home. This is pretty near the same thing as locating it at Bellair. As the junction between two railroads it is certainly an eligible point.

Ex-Auctioneer and Ex-Treasurer Irwin are both ill at St. Clairsville, and their recovery is quite doubtful. It is said that the latter's decline is attributable to the financial troubles with which his name has been connected.

At a recent conference of Baptist ministers at Philadelphia, it was proposed to recommend to the President to appoint a day of public prayer for relief from commercial depression. They expressed the opinion that our condition is largely due to moral causes, "to selfishness, greed of gain, public and private dishonesty, waste, recklessness, and in general to a disregard of the rights of man and the laws of God."

WASHINGTON COUNTY NEWS.—The stockholders of the Washington and Waynesburg Narrow Gauge elect a President and twelve directors on the 14th of January.

Dr. Lemoyne lectured to the colored people of Washington last night.

J. C. McCoy announces himself as a ticket and emigration agent at the Charters Railway depot.

Prof. Jones has resigned his position in the College, to take effect March next.

The *Reporter* says that there was music in the air Thursday night. Three serenading parties on the streets, and the grand solace musicale at the Seminary.

WELLBURG NEWS.—A project is on foot to start a cotton mill. There used to be one that made money until it fell into inexperienced hands.

The Acme Moving Machine Works are receiving large orders for their machines, and are in full blast.

A Town Hall is called for by the News as a suitable place for exhibitions and amusements.

A News correspondent, writing from Hebron, advocates the extension of the Pittsburgh, Wheeling & Kentucky to Parkersburg via Moundsville, New Martinsville, Middlebourne and St. Mary's.

The *Herald* advocates the turning over of the Bethany pike to the county and thinks it will be done at an early day.

The P. W. & Ky depot is nearly ready for the roof. The switch was built several inches too near the platform, necessitating a change of the rails.

Police items are served up in the *Herald* after this fashion: "There were six Irishmen in the cooler on Tuesday morning, pay-day having overcome them. It was reported, that notice had been given to the keeper of the mill over in La Grange not to sell to them."

A man and woman (says the *Herald*) arriving at Bethany put up at a hotel as husband and wife last week, and on their departure sundry articles of apparel and jewelry disappeared with them. Squire Billings took prompt action in the matter and the result was the recovery of some of the property, the commitment of the man to jail and the requiring of the male party, of New Cumberland, to give security for his appearance on a charge of adultery.

Criticism from a Colored Brother on the Decision in Taylor v. Strader's Case.

It has been some time since I have troubled you for the privilege of occupying a space in your valuable paper. I hope, therefore, you will not refuse me. I want to say a word or two about the final decision of our West Virginia Court of Appeals in the Taylor v. Strader case. While that decision deprives Strader of his life, so far as it has operation, it likewise effects every colored citizen of this State. It denies him the right to sit as a juror. I hope the public will not construe my meaning to be that the colored man is anxious for a position of that kind. That is not my meaning, but simply whether under the laws of the State of West Virginia all men are equal before the law, and whether the rights of the colored man are as fully protected as those of the white man.

We have some colored men who are in possession of property and who are taxed as white men to carry on the affairs of the State, but even they cannot enjoy the privilege of jurors. Why is this? Simply by reason of the Constitution of this State having inserted therein the word white in the qualification of jurors. This is the law of the State. West Va. and as such we must submit until we have found another tribunal, which will undoubtedly settle the question whether States can make laws that conflict with the Constitution of the United States.

The decision rendered by the learned Judges of our West Virginia Court is an amendment to the Constitution of the United States gives the colored man the right to sit as a juror, but does not compel the States to accept him as such. Not speaking disrespectfully of this decision, it seems to me a little like the Dred Scott case, that we have no rights that the white man is bound to respect.

By the same Constitution (that is of the State of West Virginia) the qualification of voters is as follows: "The white citizens shall vote, etc. Now by this law of West Virginia, we are not subject to the same restrictions as in regard to jurors? We have found another tribunal, which will undoubtedly settle the question whether States can make laws that conflict with the Constitution of the United States.

A COLORED CITIZEN.

The Murphy movement—Bob Love Still Doing Well.

SPRINGFIELD, MASS., December 20.—The temperance revival continues to gather strength, although Francis Murphy has gone back to Troy, where he is at work. He has been reported to some of his men to Greendell and this city, but the expediency of such a course is doubtful as far as Springfield is concerned, unless he can himself be present and assist in overcoming the apathy of our citizens. About 220 have signed the pledge at North Adams, and from Lore, of Steubenville, Ohio, and Mr. Miller will continue the meetings during the week at army hall. At the Monday night meeting at Potfield 165 names were added to the list of signers, and the number included some who have been known as hard drinkers.

The Murphy movement is progressing rapidly at Bennington, Vt. About 600 have already taken the pledge, including about 25 fast young men of good families, who came to the first Saturday evening. The meetings will be continued through this week, and perhaps longer. A recent severe accident to a young man, while drunk, has helped the movement.

INFANT DAMNATION.

Editors Intelligencer.

In the Intelligencer of December 19th "Protestant Layman," in supporting Bishop Kain's propositions, gives some extracts from the Presbyterian Confession of Faith. These extracts are grossly garbled and show that the writer either intentionally misrepresented the views of the Presbyterian church, or he had no right to do so. The language of the Confession of Faith, before him when he wrote his article. Chapter X, section 4, which is mutilated by "Protestant Layman," and is applied to infants, relates entirely to adults, who "may be called by the ministry of the word." The language of the Confession concerning "elect infants" is explained by Presbyterians to mean that all infants dying in infancy are saved. If the term "elect infants," implies that there are others who are "not elect" then the term "Elect Sinner" used by the Apostle John, signifies that she had a sister who was "not elect."

According to "Protestant Layman's" mode of reasoning it can be proven that suicide is right, since the Scriptures declare that Judas "went and hanged himself," and again the command is given, "Go thou and do likewise."

The Methodist Book of Discipline contains an expression concerning "elect children" similar to that contained in the Presbyterian Confession. The minister in baptizing children is directed to pray as follows: "Grant that this child now to be baptized may ever remain in the number of thy faithful and elect children." (Chapter 3, Sec. 2.) According to "Protestant Layman's" method of reasoning, this leaves no doubt that there are children who are not elect and who perish eternally! Yet Presbyterians and Methodists alike reject this doctrine. John Wesley declares, "It has been proved that this original stain cleaves to every child, and that thereby they are children of wrath, and liable to eternal damnation." (Doctrinal Tracts, page 251.) But it is doubtful whether even he held to the monstrous doctrine of "infant damnation." We commend to the attention of "Protestant Layman" the ninth commandment, "Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor."

VERITAS.

FURTHER FROM "PROTESTANT LAYMAN."

Editors Intelligencer:

I am sorry that Mr. Moffat declines to notice my communication because it is "Anonymous." In discussing questions of opinion, if personal matters are not involved, the publication of real names is not necessary. Ever since the days of Junius, 1769, public questions have been discussed under a nom de pume.

The reverend gentleman makes the broad assertion that "all Protestant Churches agree in teaching that infants dying in infancy are saved through the merits of the Savior." The statement that the Westminster confession of faith, the acknowledged creed of the Presbyterian Church, consigns non-elect—that is reprobate infants, to the torments of the damned in hell; that in fact none but elect infants are saved. There are two classes of infants mentioned in Scripture, and second, the "others not elect." If the elect are saved, the "others not elect" are of course damned. No other conclusion can be drawn from the Confession of Faith.

Chapter VI. states—"They (our first parents) being the root of all mankind, the guilt of this sin was imputed to all their posterity." This guilt also entails "all miseries, spiritual, temporal and eternal," or as the Shorter Catechism states, "all mankind fell with him." (Adam) in his first transgression, and all are partakers in the guilt of Adam's first sin." If none are saved but the elect only, what becomes of the reprobate?

Mr. Moffat undertakes to defend other "Protestant theologians." This he ought not to do, for he is not responsible for the opinions of other men. I cannot, nor do I hold him so accountable. If he were asked the simple question:—Are all infants, who die in infancy saved in Christ? Do their souls go to heaven? He would at once answer both questions in the affirmative. The statement that there being infants in hell "not a span long" was used before the reverend gentleman was born, so, at all events, he cannot be its author. There are, however, persons still living who have heard these words from the lips of a minister of this city, long deceased, and can remember that while he was the expression, he extended his left arm in a horizontal position, and illustrated a span's length by the action of drawing his open right hand across his left wrist. It cannot be forgotten by many of your readers that not more than two or three years ago, a minister of this city stated in a sermon in his own church that "some persons are converted in infancy, and some are converted before they are born." If only "some" infants are thus converted, where shall the others who die in infancy appear?

But the doctrine of infant damnation has been ever defended in pulpits of this city. Many of our citizens can recall the arguments made use of on these occasions. One of these divines discoursed somewhat as follows: "Every one is a daily witness of the fact, that innocent babies often pass through severe sufferings, and in agony; and if these things came to pass by an act of divine justice, because of the sin of our first parents imputed to those babes, and not for any act of personal transgression, of which they were wholly innocent, that can impugn the justice of God in inflicting eternal punishment in hell as the penalty of imputed guilt?"

As I stated before I do not hold Mr. Moffat responsible for these sentiments.

A PROTESTANT LAYMAN.

Further Endorsement of the "Wheeling Intelligencer's" Position in regard to the Public Schools.

The School Board of Columbus, Ohio, having recently expelled a pupil from the schools of that city because his father declined to furnish the set of drawing books ordered by the board, the case was submitted to the State School Commissioner, whose decision was thus summed up:—"That a rule compelling pupils to purchase text books and to study branches other and higher than those enumerated in the school laws of Ohio is not reasonable, and that a Board of Education on the subject of a pupil for non-compliance with such rule is liable to damages."

It is, we think, becoming very evident every day that if the public school system of this country is to be preserved, the range of studies must be brought within proper limits. Public schools are sustained by the public, and as the poorer classes in every community largely exceed in numbers the rich, it follows that the poor bear the heavier portion of the expense. It is unfair to tax them for the support of schools where what are termed "the higher branches" are taught, not because these branches are not useful as well as ornamental, but because they are not indispensable.

Schools, the funds to maintain which are drawn from the pockets of the people at large, should confine their work to the educational necessities, which, according to the laws of Ohio, are "reading, writing, arithmetic, geography and English grammar." The boy or girl who knows how to read and write well and properly, and who has an intelligent, practical knowledge of arithmetic and geography, will find no difficulty in securing a good education in the world's universities. If they have a desire and capacity for higher culture, with these foundations on which to build, the boy and girl can climb to it. If they have no such desire or capacity it is better to leave them to try and drive the higher culture into them. In either case the people should not be obliged to pay for it. Let academies and colleges monopolize that department of education, and let those who enjoy such privileges and facilities pay for them. We believe every child should have a good education, what was once called "a common school education." We believe it is unjust to the tax-

paying masses to give him any more than this free of cost; and we believe that if unknown schools are insisted upon, as they now seem to be, the tax-paying masses will sooner or later get tired of supporting any.

As regards to this subject we may add the following clip from the *Wellburg Herald* of yesterday:

Their public school expenses at Pittsburgh are burdensome. One writer complains of ornamental Superintendents who travel about too much, and get up too elaborate and costly reports on educational subjects. There is a tendency to extravagance in such matters, that is not good for the cause.

DIED.

Mr. BKE.—On Thursday afternoon, December 20, 1877, John M. Burke, daughter of Thomas and Mary Burke, deceased, aged 19 years 4 months and 5 days.

The funeral will take place on Saturday at 2 o'clock p. m., from the residence of her father, No. 215 Main street. Interment at Calvary Cemetery. Friends of the family are invited to attend.

WILSON.—On Friday, December 21, 1877, at 5 A. M. at 125 Virginia street, David, daughter of Rev. W. C. and Harriet M. Wilson, aged 5 years, 3 months and 21 days.

Funeral at 2 p. m. Saturday. Interment at Mt. Wood Cemetery.

TRAVELERS' GUIDE.

DEPARTURE OF TRAINS.

	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
B. & O. R. R.	4:30	10:30	6:15
Cent. O. Div.	5:00	11:00	10:30
W. & P. R. Div.	5:00	1:40	6:50
Clav. & Pitta.	6:15	11:10	8:30

ARRIVAL OF TRAINS.

	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
B. & O. R. R.	8:55	5:10	5:05
Cent. O. Div.	5:00	11:00	7:20
W. & P. R. Div.	10:25	6:10	7:45
Clav. & Pitta.	10:55	6:58	8:29

*Elm Grove Accommodation.—This train only runs between Wheeling and Elm Grove. Daily except Sunday.—Newark Accommodation.—This train runs between Newark and Wheeling. Daily except Sunday.—Martins Ferry and Belair, stopping when required at Sherman House, Martins Ferry, West Wheeling and Elm Grove.

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Resolutions adopted in the Post Office at Wheeling, Ohio county, W. Va., Saturday, December 22, 1877. To obtain any of the following, the applicant must call for advertised letters, giving date of list.

	Address
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Bushnell Mrs. L	Shelby Peter
Carroll Ester Ann	Shelby Mollie
Cullen Frank S	Smith John
Fairbank Mrs. J	Smith Thomas
Gibson Mrs. A G	White J
Henry Wm	Wiley Joseph R
Homes C F	Wright A
Kramer Richard B	Walker Geo M
Miller H	Williams Edward
Byrns Thomas	

TIME TABLE—WHEELING & ELM GROVE.

RECEIVED.—On and after Saturday, December 22, 1877, cars will run as follows:

	10:10 A. M.	2:40 P. M.	6:50 A. M.	2:20 P. M.
10:10 A. M.	2:40 P. M.	6:50 A. M.	2:20 P. M.	
8:10	3:40	7:40	3:20	
9:10	4:40	8:40	4:20	
10:10	5:40	9:40	5:20	
11:10	6:40	10:40	6:20	
12:10 P. M.	7:40	11:40	7:20	
1:10	8:40	12:40 P. M.	8:20	
2:10	9:40	1:40	9:20	

Sundays excepted.

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